

Rail sleepers procured in Gujarat

2905. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of sleepers procured by the Railway Board in Gujarat during the last two years;
- (b) the names of agencies which supplied;
- (c) the amount paid, agency-wise; the amount paid, agency-wise;
- (d) the details of tenders awarded during the said period; and
- (e) the number of tenders cancelled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Tenders for procurement of concrete sleepers are finalised zonewise in the Railway Board to meet individual zonal Railway's requirement except tenders for special sleepers which are finalised by zonal Railways. In last 2 years following quantities of Concrete Sleepers have been procured from five factories located in Gujarat State.

(fig in lacs)		
1998-99	1999-2000	Total
3.41	5.00	8.41

(b) In last two years following five factories located in Gujarat State have supplied concrete sleepers.

- (i) M/s Usha Prestressed Sleeper Udyog, Godhra, Piplod.
- (ii) M/s Mani Bhai Bros (Sleepers), Kharsalia
- (iii) M/s Subramanyam & Co. Kharsalia
- (v) M/s Tankrete (India), Udvada.
- (iv) M/s Vaman Prestressing Co. Ltd., Digsar.

(c) The firmwise amount paid for supply of PSC Sleepers is as below.

(fig in crores)

	1998-99	1999-2000	Total
(i) M/s Usha Prestressed Sleeper Udyoug, Godhra, Piplod.	2.62	4.50	7.12
(ii) M/s Mani Bhai Bros (Sleepers), Kharsalia	4.00	4.10	8.10
(iii) M/s Subramanyam & Co. Kharsalia	2.87	3.47	6.34
(iv) M/s Tankrete (India) Udvada.	3.78	6.18	9.96
(v) M/s Vaman Prestressing Co. Ltd. Disgar	nil	6.70	6.70
		Total:	38.22

(d) Following tenders have been awarded to firms in Gujarat State in said period.

- (1) Tender No.CS-120/1997-By Railway Board.
- (2) Tender No.WTR/17/98/6004-By Western Railway.
- (3) Tender No.WTR/17/98/6011-By Western Railway.
- (4) Tender No.WTR/17/98/6013-By Western Railway.

(e) Nil

Railway fined for deficiency of service

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SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item published in the Pioneer of June 30, 2000 captioned Railways fined for deficiency of service

(b) if so, whether any study regarding the need to improve performance of Railways in order to do away with its inefficiency has been conducted; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH) : (a) Yes, Sir.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.